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MP3M: Student Leadership Transformation

In an article of the previous bulletin, Education Malaysia Egypt (EME) has given a clear picture on the concept of the Secretariat of State House Officer Council (SMMPRN) as spearheaded by EME. After 6 months of operation, the secretariat has been successful in executing its mission and gives a positive impact to empower the organisation of the State Houses to raise the identity of our overseas community variation among Malaysian students in Egypt, strengthen and consolidate synergies, and expand the roles and functions of the State House Affair Officers.

EME's prime agenda has moved further to the establishment of the Malaysian Student Representative Council in Egypt (MP3M, read as *em pi triple em*). MP3M is the highest body of student leadership, representing the voice of all students of different field of studies and backgrounds. The establishment of this association is not intended to revoke or deny or duplicate the role and functions of the existing associations, but it's more to equip the student management framework focusing on academics and university platform. The concept and *modus operandi* of the institution is like the ministerial cabinet with portfolio of diverse, not bound by memberships as in the practice of other student associations.

MP3M under the patronage of EME is a mechanism for direct link bridge with the administration of local universities. This is an unprecedented initiative in the history of student organisations operating in the land of Egypt.

The objectives and purposes of the establishment of MP3M are as follows:

- i. driving programs and activities to generate academic excellence and noble moral personality among students in Egypt,
- ii. engaging with students in matters related to welfare and soft skills,
- iii. restoring the student focus to fulfill the purpose of their presence in the destination of Egypt,

- iv. tightening the unity and sharing of views among those having various understanding, principles and background,
- v. fostering the culture of collaboration and cooperation between students and officials in the success of nationhood and character building courses led by figures from Malaysia,
- vi. nurturing passion of love for the country, understanding current issues of nationhood and becoming Malaysian identity image in the eyes of the world.

In the process of collating promising talents for our MP3M cabinet with strong, viable and credible leadership, EME has commenced to inquire potential candidates whom can offer their services, contribute ideas and energy under the spirit of volunteerism. MP3M establishment has been initiated starting with the composition of the Pro-tem Committee of 26 persons representing each of the University from different *Muhafazah* governorates according to the ratio of Malaysian student population respectively. Members of the Pro-tem Committee were selected based on the outstanding quality of academic performance among the students.

Initial meeting and briefing session with those candidates identified having the required talent and leadership skills to sit in the Pro-tem Committee was accomplished on 4th November 2011 and so forth. EME will follow-up with the next agenda in the near future such as:

- i. work out management budget for MP3M from the central source of JPT and Trust Fund under the control of EME,
- ii. hand over the letter of appointment and introduce them to the University administration,
- iii. periodically organise series of courses and leadership training, etiquette protocols, organisational management and so on to enhance their skills.